(ii) human desensibilities are not offended by vulgarity, obscenity or depravity.

State Governments and Union Territory Administrations have also been requested from time to time for stricter enforcement of the provisions of the Act as the implementation is the responsibility of these agencies.

Second channel for Guwahati Doordarshan

530. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to set up a second channel of Doordarshan at Guwahati for the benefit of the people of North-Eastern region ; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS) : (a) and (b) There is at present no proposal under consideration of the Government to introduce second channel TV service at Guwahati. However, in addition to a Studio Centre already functioning at Guwahati a Programme Production-cum-feeding Centre has been established separately at Guwahati. On commissioning of this Centre a common regional TV service is proposed to be disseminated via satellite for the benefit of the people of North-eastern region. Besides, TV coverage the North-Estern region is expected to improve considerably on Commissioning of various TV transmitters and studio projects under implementation in the region.

Profit earned by Government through Doordarshan commercials

531. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) what is the amount of profit earned by Government through commercials in Doordarshan during 1991 ;

(b) whether Government propose to reduce the time allotted to commercials in view of growing public resentment over commerealization in Doordarshan ; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS) : (a) The gross revenue earned by Doordarshan through commercials during 1991 was Rs. 305.73 crores.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Press Information Bureau to computerise its photo indexing features

532. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the details of action taken or proposed to be taken in respect of

Press Information Bureau to computerise its photo indexing features and provide telephoto services to its regional branch offices to mechanise the dispatch system for the distribution of field publicity material of the DAVP ; and

(b) The State where the DAVP is equipped to provide field Publicity Units with VCPs and Colour Monitors and equip itself with a computer for programme analysis ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS) : (a) The Press Information Bureau could not take up computerised indexing in the Photo Unit as the suitable technology for the purpose could not be obtained. Presently, telephoto service is available from PIS (Hqrs.) New Delhi to its Regional Offices at Bombay, Calcutta and Madras & vice versa. During 8th Plan period (1992-97) it is envisaged that the Bureau will be able to extend telephoto service to all Regional and to some selected branch offices.

DAVP has a computerised mailing list of about 15 lakhs addresses consisting of 527 categories. However, despatch of publicity material is done manually. There is no proposal as yet to computerise despatch of publicity material.

(b) DAVP has asked its Field Exhibition Units to hire TVs & VCRs for showing software produced by DAVP and other Govt. of India Deptts./Ministries during exhibitions wherever required. DAVP has no plans to buy computer for programme analysis of exhibitions. Impact studies of programmes are got done by DAVP from outside professional agencies.

Public Corporations financing National network of Doordarshan

533. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is fact that Government have invited Public Corporations to finance "N-2" Natonal network of Doordarshan;

(b) if so, the number and particulars of parties who have responded showing interest in its plan to open broadcating to the private sector ; and

(c) what acton has been/is proposed to be taken in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir. However, Government have found large number of such parties evincing interest in the matter.

(b) List given in the statement. (*See* below)

(c) No decision has yet been taken.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Party
1	2
1	M/s PTI-TV Delhi
2	M/s The Observer Channel Delhi and Bombay
3	M/s Rajdhani Films (P) Ltd. New Delhi